

HOUSE No. 2051

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert F. Fennell

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to diagnostic screening for prostate cancer..

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Robert F. Fennell</i> | <i>10th Essex</i> |
| <i>Christine E. Canavan</i> | <i>10th Plymouth</i> |
| <i>Martha M. Walz</i> | <i>8th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>James J. O'Day</i> | <i>14th Worcester</i> |
| <i>Louis L. Kafka</i> | <i>8th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Kevin G. Honan</i> | <i>17th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Brian M. Ashe</i> | <i>2nd Hampden</i> |
| <i>Frank I. Smizik</i> | <i>15th Norfolk</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i> | <i>Middlesex, Suffolk, and Essex</i> |
| <i>Cory Atkins</i> | <i>14th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Carlo Basile</i> | <i>1st Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Walter F. Timilty</i> | <i>7th Norfolk</i> |

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By Mr. Fennell of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2051) of Robert F. Fennell and others that health insurance providers be required to include coverage for diagnostic screening for prostate cancer. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 898 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to diagnostic screening for prostate cancer..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, every contract
2 which provides coverage for hospital, surgical or medical care shall provide the following
3 coverage for diagnostic screening for prostatic cancer:(i) upon the recommendation of a
4 physician, medically recognized diagnostic testing including, but not limited to, a digital rectal
5 examination, transrectal ultrasonography and prostate-specific antigen test at any age for covered
6 persons having a prior history of prostate cancer; and (ii) an annual medically recognized
7 diagnostic examination including, but not limited to, a digital rectal examination, trans-rectal
8 ultrasonography and a prostate-specific antigen test for all men aged forty and over.